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TO AMCONSUL AUCKLAND PRIORITY

INFO AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BENC, NZ

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: PETROCHEMICALS FROM NATURAL GAS

REF: A) AUCKLAND 0072

- B) 76 AUCKLAND 563
- C) 76 AUCKLAND 591
- D) 76 WELLINGTON 4252 (NOTAL)
- E) 76 WELLINGTON A-127 (NOTAL)
- F) 76 STATE 274679 (NOTAL)
- G) 76 WELLINGTON 4308 (NOTAL)

1. APOLOGIZE FOR DELAY IN RESPONSE TO REFS B AND C.

UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAD CONFUSED REF C FROM AUCKLAND WITH
REF D FROM WELLINGTON, WHICH CONTAINED ALMOST DUPLICATE
INFORMATION AND ARRIVED USDOC SAME WEEK. APPARENTLY,

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SAME TWO GENTLEMEN FROM NICHIMEN VISITED BOTH EMBASSY
AND CONSULATE WITH SIMILAR REQUESTS.

2. COMMERCE/MEPD ADVISED U.S. COMPANIES OF EARLY WARNING
ON PETROCHEMICALS PROJECT (FIRST REPORTED IN WELLINGTON
AIRGRAM REF E) AND RECEIVED EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FROM
PULLMAN-KELLOGG (FORMERLY M.W. KELLOGG) WHICH HAS BEEN

PURSuing PROJECT (PER REFS F AND G). ASSUME EMBASSY HAS

ALREADY INFORMED NICHIMEN COMPANY OF KELLOGG INTEREST,
BUT CONSULATE MIGHT ALSO DO SO. HOWEVER, WELLINGTON
REPORTED THAT NICHIMEN'S "FIRST CHOICE" FOR JOINT
VENTURE PARTNER WAS FLUOR, A HIGHLY QUALIFIED CONTENDER,
AND DAVY POWERGAS ALSO BEING CONSIDERED. IF NICHIMEN IS
UNSUCCESSFUL IN APPROACHES TO THESE THREE COMPANIES, WE
WOULD BE GLAD TO AGAIN CANVAS OTHER U.S. FIRMS.
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